

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, lines 8 to 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The recycling of waste articles to effectively utilize limited natural resources has been receiving much attention lately. In some countries, shredder dust, Freon and air bags from waste cars, for example, ~~a~~ are designated as recyclables. Of these three articles, shredder dust poses the most formidable obstacle in the recycling of waste cars. Therefore, shredder dust is collected generally by the car manufacturers. Shredder dust is a collection of small pieces of waste materials formed by shredding the body of a car together with the seats and various ornamental materials inside the car. Car manufacturers may commission appropriate contractors to perform final disposal of the shredder dust. As means of disposal, various facilities are planned, such as dry distillation furnaces, carbonization furnaces, incinerators, melting furnaces, blast furnaces, electric furnaces and final disposal dump.

Please replace the paragraph on page 2, lines 9 to 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

However, a small amount of metal pieces (metal scraps) cannot be separated successfully from the combustibles. That is, a small amount of metal pieces remains in the shredder dust. Then, the combustibles are carbonized by subjecting the shredder dust to dry distillation (step ~~S14~~ S4).

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 2, lines 18 to 25, and continuing on page 3, lines 1 to 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Conventionally, before performing the dry distillation process, the shredded materials are separated into metal scraps and shredder dust. While

efforts to increase the thoroughness of this separation will increase the amount of metal scraps to be collected, it will lead to increased costs for separation. Since the combustible and the incombustibles are connected to each other by cohesive materials, these materials remain connected even after they are shredded into small pieces. So it is difficult to separate them thoroughly by using a magnetic pulling force or the difference in their specific gravities and results in increased costs. Further, heat loss is large, because the shredder dust includes ~~much~~ a lot of water. Therefore, much time has been required to distill the shredder dust and is ~~expensive~~ expenses are high because a drying device is needed to dry shredder dust having ~~that~~ so much water.

Please replace the paragraph on page 3, lines 14 to 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In order to attain the above and other objects, the present invention provides a method of processing composite waste including combustibles and incombustibles. In the method, a press process is firstly performed for pressing the composite waste. ~~The, a~~ A dry distillation process is performed for ~~performing~~ completion of dry distillation on the pressed composite waste.

Please replace the paragraph on page 4, lines 19 to 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Fig. 3 is a flowchart illustrating ~~detailed processes of~~ in detail steps S14 and S15 contained in the flowchart of Fig. 2.